

§ 3143. Grants for planning and grants for administrative expenses

(a) In general

On the application of an eligible recipient, the Secretary may make grants to pay the costs of economic development planning and the administrative expenses of organizations that carry out the planning.

(b) Planning process

Planning assisted under this subchapter shall be a continuous process involving public officials and private citizens in—

- (1) analyzing local economies;
- (2) defining economic development goals;
- (3) determining project opportunities; and
- (4) formulating and implementing an economic development program that includes systematic efforts to reduce unemployment and increase incomes.

(c) Use of planning assistance

Planning assistance under this subchapter shall be used in conjunction with any other available Federal planning assistance to ensure adequate and effective planning and economical use of funds.

(d) State plans

(1) Development

Any State plan developed with assistance under this section shall be developed, to the maximum extent practicable, cooperatively by the State, political subdivisions of the State, and the economic development districts located wholly or partially in the State.

(2) Comprehensive economic development strategy

As a condition of receipt of assistance for a State plan under this subsection, the State shall have or develop a comprehensive economic development strategy.

(3) Coordination

Before providing assistance for a State plan under this section, the Secretary shall consider the extent to which the State will consider local and economic development district plans.

(4) Comprehensive planning process

Any overall State economic development planning assisted under this section shall be a part of a comprehensive planning process that shall consider the provision of public works to—

- (A) promote economic development and opportunity;
- (B) foster effective transportation access;
- (C) enhance and protect the environment;
- (D) assist in carrying out the workforce investment strategy of a State;
- (E) promote the use of technology in economic development, including access to high-speed telecommunications; and
- (F) balance resources through the sound management of physical development.

(5) Report to Secretary

Each State that receives assistance for the development of a plan under this subsection

shall submit to the Secretary an annual report on the planning process assisted under this subsection.

(Pub. L. 89-136, title II, §203, as added Pub. L. 105-393, title I, §102(a), Nov. 13, 1998, 112 Stat. 3602; amended Pub. L. 108-373, title II, §201, Oct. 27, 2004, 118 Stat. 1759.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 3143, Pub. L. 89-136, title II, §203, Aug. 26, 1965, 79 Stat. 558; Pub. L. 94-273, §2(25), Apr. 21, 1976, 90 Stat. 376, directed deposit of funds into Economic Development Revolving Fund, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 105-393, §102(a).

AMENDMENTS

2004—Subsec. (d)(1). Pub. L. 108-373, §201(1), inserted “, to the maximum extent practicable,” after “shall be developed”.

Subsec. (d)(3). Pub. L. 108-373, §201(2), added par. (3) and struck out heading and text of former par. (3). Text read as follows: “On completion of a State plan developed with assistance under this section, the State shall—

“(A) certify to the Secretary that, in the development of the State plan, local and economic development district plans were considered and, to the maximum extent practicable, the State plan is consistent with the local and economic development district plans; and

“(B) identify any inconsistencies between the State plan and the local and economic development district plans and provide a justification for each inconsistency.”

Subsec. (d)(4)(D) to (F). Pub. L. 108-373, §201(3), added subpars. (D) and (E) and redesignated former subpar. (D) as (F’).

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Feb. 11, 1999, see section 105 of Pub. L. 105-393, set out as a note under section 3121 of this title.

§ 3144. Cost sharing

(a) Federal share

Except as provided in subsection (c), the Federal share of the cost of any project carried out under this subchapter shall not exceed—

- (1) 50 percent; plus
- (2) an additional percent that—
 - (A) shall not exceed 30 percent; and
 - (B) is based on the relative needs of the area in which the project will be located, as determined in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Secretary.

(b) Non-Federal share

In determining the amount of the non-Federal share of the cost of a project, the Secretary may provide credit toward the non-Federal share for all contributions both in cash and in-kind, fairly evaluated, including contributions of space, equipment, assumptions of debt, and services.

(c) Increase in Federal share

(1) Indian tribes

In the case of a grant to an Indian tribe for a project under this subchapter, the Secretary may increase the Federal share above the percentage specified in subsection (a) up to 100 percent of the cost of the project.

(2) Certain States, political subdivisions, and nonprofit organizations

In the case of a grant to a State, or a political subdivision of a State, that the Secretary